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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated August 9, 2007, having a shortened statutory period expiring on November 9, 2007. Accompanying this response is a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a One-Month Extension of Time, setting a new time for response of December 9, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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